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*The late Norman B. Lewis, class of 1941.*

## Norman B. Lewis Scholarship Fund is Established by His Family

**T**he name and memory of the late Norman B. Lewis, a prominent Buffalo trial attorney who died July 4, 1986, will live on at UB Law School through the generosity of his widow Pauline and their three sons, Allan, Lawrence and Richard. The family has created the Norman B. Lewis Scholarship Fund with a gift of

\$25,000.

Each year, a major scholarship will be awarded to a second-year law student from the Western New York area who might not otherwise have the opportunity to complete law school.

"Our father practiced as a trial lawyer in this community for close to 45 years and

had some success doing it," says Allan M. Lewis, class of '69, who carries on the family tradition by practicing law with his brother Lawrence in the Buffalo firm of Lewis & Lewis, P.C. Their brother, Richard Lewis, is also a lawyer and practices in Washington, D.C.

"This is a fitting way to honor him."

Norman Lewis, who graduated from UB Law School in 1941, grew up in modest circumstances and had to work his way through school. Before enrolling in law school, he attended Hutchinson Central Technical School and Canisius College.

He was president of the Western New York Trial Lawyers' Association and served as the first treasurer of that organization.

"Dad could understand the difficulty of going through law school and having financial obligations," says Allan Lewis. "I'm sure he would feel that his family's funds were being put to good use." ■

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**A**n award based on superior academic achievement will be presented annually at UB Law School commencement exercises in honor of James M. McMahon, who died Nov. 29, 1985. He graduated from UB Law School in 1951, second in his class. The gift is from his widow, Mary McMahon.

Mr. McMahon was employed by Monroe Abstract and Title Corporation in Buffalo for many years and then became confidential law clerk for Justice Michael F. Dillon.

As a law student, he had received some financial assistance from UB which he very much appreciated, according to his daughter, Buffalo attorney Kathleen E. McMahon. "He went through law school on the GI Bill, working most of the time, and he was married and had a family to support.

"After he died, we felt that creating this award was something that was important to us to do, a way to remind people of him, how he felt about the school and how devoted he was to the law." ■